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Special attention has been paid to the sanitation of the house, and all has been put in perfect order. The drainage system has been completely remodelled and laid out in the most modern way on lines suggested by the Summer School Committee, and to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Authority. The water supply is ample and very soft and pure, coming directly from the moors to the house.

There will be in all accommodation for about sixty-five residents in the house and the encampment, but for those wishing to join the School as non-residents suitable hotels and lodgings can be found in the neighbourhood.

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The Head of Derwentwater and Scafell, showing Barrow House and Grounds.

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SATURDAY, August 7th.—Arrival and Departure of Members. Organised Excursion.

### SECOND WEEK.

Director: EDWARD R. PEASE.

SUNDAY, August 8th.—10 a.m.—Reception of resident and non-resident Members.  
Address by the Director.  
8 p.m.—Address and Discussion.

MONDAY, August 9th.—9.30 to 10 a.m.—Swedish Drill and Country Dances.  
10.30 a.m.—Lecture by **Sir Sydney Olivier, K.C.M.G.**, on "The Importance in Sociological Theory of Certain Factors often Treated as Negligible. A Concrete Study."  
8.30 p.m.—Discussion.

TUESDAY, August 10th.—9.30 to 10 a.m.—Swedish Drill and Country Dances.  
10.30 a.m.—First of three Lectures by **Sir Edwin Pears** on "Turkey in Europe and Asia Minor."

WEDNESDAY, August 11th.—Organised Excursion.  
8.30 p.m.—Discussion.

THURSDAY, August 12th.—9.30 to 10 a.m.—Swedish Drill and Country Dances.  
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FRIDAY, August 13th.—9.30 to 10 a.m.—Swedish Drill and Country Dances.  
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SATURDAY, August 14th.—Departure and Arrival of Members. Organised Excursion.

### THIRD WEEK.

Director: H. SNELL.

SUNDAY, August 15th.—10 a.m.—Reception of resident and non-resident Members.  
Address by the Director.  
8 p.m.—Address and Discussion.

MONDAY, August 16th.—9.30 to 10 a.m.—Swedish Drill and Country Dances.  
10.30 a.m.—Lecture by **Dr. Letitia Fairfield** on "The Education of the Adolescent."  
8.30 p.m.—Discussion.

TUESDAY, August 17th.—9.30 to 10 a.m.—Swedish Drill and Country Dances.  
10.30 a.m.—First of three Lectures by **G. Lowes Dickinson** on "Is War Inevitable?"

WEDNESDAY, August 18th.—Organised Excursion.  
8.30 p.m.—Discussion.

THURSDAY, August 19th.—9.30 to 10 a.m.—Swedish Drill and Country Dances.  
10.30 a.m.—Second of three Lectures by **G. Lowes Dickinson** on "Is War Inevitable?"

FRIDAY, August 20th.—9.30 to 10 a.m.—Swedish Drill and Country Dances.  
10.30 a.m.—Third of three Lectures by **G. Lowes Dickinson** on "Is War Inevitable?"

SATURDAY, August 21st.—Departure and Arrival of Members. Organised Excursion.

### FOURTH WEEK.

Director: H. SNELL.

SUNDAY, August 22nd.—10 a.m.—Reception of resident and non-resident Members.  
Address by the Director.  
8 p.m.—Address and Discussion.

MONDAY, August 23rd.—9.30 to 10 a.m.—Swedish Drill and Country Dances.  
10.30 a.m.—Lecture by **Emil Davies** on "Collectivism and Finance after the War."  
8.30 p.m.—Discussion.

TUESDAY, August 24th.—9.30 to 10 a.m.—Swedish Drill and Country Dances.  
10.30 a.m.—Lecture (to be arranged).

WEDNESDAY, August 25th.—Organised Excursion.  
8.30 p.m.—Discussion.

THURSDAY, August 26th.—9.30 to 10 a.m.—Swedish Drill and Country Dances.  
10.30 a.m.—Lecture (to be arranged).

FRIDAY, August 27th.—9.30 to 10 a.m.—Swedish Drill and Country Dances.  
10.30 a.m.—Lecture (to be arranged).

SATURDAY, August 28th.—Departure and arrival of Members. Organised Excursion.

### FIFTH WEEK.

Director: F. LAWSON DODD.

SUNDAY, August 29th.—10 a.m.—Reception of resident and non-resident Members.  
Address by the Director.  
8 p.m.—Discussion.

MONDAY, August 30th.—9.30 to 10 a.m.—Swedish Drill and Country Dances.  
10.30 a.m.—Lecture by **H. Snell** on "The Non-material Foundations of Socialism."

TUESDAY, August 31st.—Organised Excursion.  
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WEDNESDAY, September 1st.—9.30 to 10 a.m.—Swedish Drill and Country Dances.  
10.30 a.m.—Lecture by **R. W. Seton Watson** ("Scotus Viator") on "The Southern Slavs, Italy and the Adriatic."

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SATURDAY, September 4th.—Departure and Arrival of Members. Organised Excursion.

### SIXTH WEEK.

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### SUMMER SCHOOL FEES.

All members of the School, whether resident or non-resident, pay a School fee of 5s. per week to include charge for lectures, gratuities to servants, etc.

	BOARD AND LORING.	SCHOOL FEE.	TOTAL PER WEEK.	PER DAY.
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\* Camping members will be on exactly the same footing as other members, except that they will sleep in the tents, make their own beds, clean their boots, and keep the tents in order.

These fees include charge for lectures and gratuities to servants.

Swedish Drill and Country Dances, 2s. per week.

Charge for use of Boats, 2s. per week.

Non-Resident Members may join the School, i.e., may attend all lectures and debates, have free access to grounds, and join excursions for the weekly fee of 5s. Single lectures, 1s.

Applications for membership must be made on the form issued at the office, and must be accompanied by a booking fee of 10s. per person in part payment of the fees charged. The signature of the form will be taken as an agreement to abide by such rules as the Committee may from time to time draw up. Children under sixteen are not admitted to the School.

The balances of fees must be remitted to the Fabian Office a clear week before the date of arrival.

The Library will be supplied with books bearing on the subjects of the lectures, and this room will be secured for those who desire a silent place for study.

Fabian literature will be on sale at the School.

Vegetarians will be catered for.

There is a dark room in the house for photographers.

### RAILWAY ARRANGEMENTS.

Book to Keswick, L. & N. W. R.

Return 3rd Class Fare from Euston Station :—Tourist 45s. 3d.

(Excursion and Week-end fares have been suspended, and no information is available with regard to their resumption.)

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r Restaurant Car. d Saturdays only. h Saturdays excepted.

The above time-table is the one now advertised, but a fuller service, with variations in times of departure, may be in operation from the beginning of July onwards. Enquiries on these points should be made at the Station of Departure.

Times of trains from Manchester, Glasgow, Newcastle, etc., etc., to Keswick should be obtained from the chief local railway stations.

Members who give two clear days' notice to the Housekeeper, Barrow House, near Keswick, and who arrive by the 6.28 p.m. train will be met at Keswick Station with conveyance for themselves and their luggage. Charge 1s. 3d. Members arriving by other trains must pay the ordinary cab fares. Luggage in advance should be addressed to Keswick Station, as Barrow House is out of the delivery area. Members arriving by the 9.10 p.m. train can dine in the train, or must otherwise provide for their evening meal. Visitors are requested to bring as little luggage as possible, preferably flat trunks to go under beds.

### HOTELS AND LODGINGS.

For non-resident members of the school the Royal Oak Hotel, Keswick, the Borrowdale Hotel, and the Lodore Hotel (about a mile from Barrow House) are recommended. A list of boarding houses will be sent on application.



## EXCURSIONS.

Members of the School should bring nailed boots for climbing.

THE CATBELLS, EEL CRAGS, AND BORROWDALE. Walk to Lodore, thence by path or launch to Brandelhow Park, Catbells, Maiden Moor, Eel Crag, and Grange.

CAUSEY PIKE. Walk via Lodore, Manesty, and Littleton to Causey Pike; return same route or by Stair and Brandelhow Park and Lodore.

BORROWDALE, BUTTERMERE AND CRUMMOCK WATER. Drive or walk to Seatoller, thence walk over Honister Pass to Buttermere and Crummock. Return by same route or by Buttermere House, Newlands, Littleton, Manesty, and Lodore.

BLENCATHRA. Drive or walk to Threlkeld. Ascend Blencathra (2,847 feet) and descend via Knowe Crag, rejoining brakes at Threlkeld. This excursion involves about five hours' steady walk and climb.

An easy alternative is to walk from Threlkeld along the foot of the mountain and through the Brundholme Woods, joining brakes at either Brigham or Keswick.

GREAT GABLE. Drive through Borrowdale to Seathwaite and thence walk and climb by Sty Head Gill to Great Gable (2,949 feet), returning over Brandreth, Green Gable and Honister Pass, rejoining conveyances at Seatoller. 5-6 hours' climbing and walking. This excursion is suitable only for good climbers. An alternative route for others is from Seathwaite to Sty Head Tarn, thence to Sprinkling Tarn, and back to Seathwaite by Grain Gill. 6 miles.

LORD'S SEAT AND BARF. Walk via Braithwaite to Lord's Seat and return by Whinlatter Pass. 12-14 miles.

ASCENT OF SKIDDAW. Via Crosthwaite and Underscar and Jenkin Hill to the summit (3,054 feet) and descend via Carlside to Millbeck, and drive to Barrow House.

WATENDLATH, ROSTHWAITE AND GRANGE. Walk by moorland road to Watendlath, thence to Rosthwaite, Bowder Stone, Grange, and Lodore.

THIRLMERE. Walk to Watendlath, thence over moor to Thirlmere. Return by same route or walk down to the end of lake and return to Watendlath via Harrop Tarn.

SCAFELL PIKE. Start as for Great Gable as far as Sty Head, thence by Sprinkling Tarn.

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